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RESPONSE B

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 5, 2005, please  
reconsider the application in view of the following.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.